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1. Basis of the Report

a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of:



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b. ☐

With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐

Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box No. II)

3. ☐

Unity of invention is lacking (See Box No. III)

4. With regard to the title,



the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.



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a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 3



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b. ☐

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Box IV TEXT OF THE ABSTRACT (Continuation of Item 5 of the first sheet)

The technical features mentioned in the abstract do not include a reference sign between parentheses (PCT Rule 8.1(d)).

NEW ABSTRACT

An optical tunable laser design (100) for the optical telecommunication industry is disclosed in this invention. This new design is economical, reliable, robust and with superior optical performances. The design offers broadband tunability, high output power, narrow laser line-width and high SMSR. And in addition, the tunable laser is distinguishable from conventional designs by the mere facts that there are no moving parts, therefore, making it very reliable, and the tuning method of this invention is non-thermal and non-mechanical making its tuning very fast in the sub-millisecond range. In the manufacturing front, it is low cost and easy to produce. It can be achieved with automation equipment like those used in the IC placement and PC assembly industry, therefore, the products as that disclosed in this invention can be provided with significantly reduced production costs and marketed with very competitive price. The side-mode-suppression ratio (SMSR) is further increased by implementing an etalon (128) having specific fineness to cooperate with the Acousto-optical tuning filter (AOTF) (120).

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC(7) : G02F 1/11, 1/33; H01S 3/10, 3/117, 3/13, 3/00, 3/08,
US CL : 359/285, 305, 308-314; 372/9, 13, 20, 22, 23, 28, 32, 38.01, 92, 98, 99, 102

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
U.S. : 359/285, 305, 308-314; 372/9, 13, 20, 22, 23, 28, 32, 38.01, 92, 98, 99, 102

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X,P ---	US 6,792,010 B2 (KOULIKOV et al) 14 September 2004 (14.09.2004), column 4, line 16 - column 5, line 26.	18, 20, 21 -----
A,P		1-17, 19, 22 and 24-31
Y, T	US 6,959,024 B2 (PALDUS et al) 25 October 2005 (25.10.2005), column 13, line 32 - column 14, line 62.	1-22 and 24-31

☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.

☐ See patent family annex.

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